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BOX PATENT APPLICATION  
Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Hidenori USUDA and Koichi OTSUKI  
RECORDING APPARATUS AND DATA CONTROL METHOD THEREIN  
Our Ref. Q62603

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/03030, filed May 11, 2000 including thirty-six (36) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and thirteen (13) sheets of drawings. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date. Also enclosed is the Information Disclosure Statement.

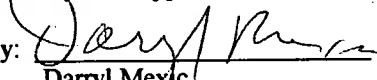
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A check for the statutory filing fee of \$710.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

Benefit/priority has been claimed from May 11, 2000 and May 12, 1999, based on PCT Application No. PCT/JP00/03030 and JP Application No. Hei. 11-131288 respectively. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,  
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